

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver county.

THE PETITION of *Martin Leise* a native of *Germany* respectfully
showeth: That he declared on *Oath* before the *J. by J. H. C. Prot.*
of the Court of Common Pleas on the *4th* day of *June* 1855 that it was bona fide
his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity
to any prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the *Emperor* of *Russia*
Casual of whom he was at that time a *Subject*; that your petitioner has resided
within the United States upwards of five years, and in the state of Pennsylvania one year, both periods
immediately preceding this his application to become a citizen of the United States; and that he has
never borne any hereditary title, or been of any of the orders of nobility in his own or any other country.

He therefore prays that, on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by law, he may be
admitted a citizen of the United States of America. And he will ever pray, &c.

Martin Leise

William Kaiser a citizen of the United States, being duly sworn
according to law, saith that he knows and is well acquainted with *Martin Leise*
the petitioner; that to his knowledge he has resided in the United States five years, and in the state of
Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding his application to become a citizen; that
during the said period of five years, he has behaved as a person of good moral character, attached to
principles of the constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the
same.

Sworn in open court,

W. D. Dwyer

Prothonotary.

William Kaiser

I, *Martin Leise* do swear that the contents of my petition
are true; that I will support the constitution of the United States; and I now renounce and relinquish
any title or order of nobility to which am now or hereafter may be entitled; and I do absolutely
and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or
sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the *Emperor* of *Russia* of whom
I was before a *Subject*

Sworn in open court this *15th* day of *March* 1859

W. D. Dwyer

Prothonotary.